## CONDITION OF THE MARKETS

Wheat Stronger, with a Good Speculative Business Transacted.

A Better Feeling in Corn-Moderate Trading in Oats-Pork Closes Quiet-Lard and Short Ribs Attract Little Interest.

MONEY, BONDS AND STOCKS,

An Uninteresting Day in the Stock Exchange, with a Bearish Drift. NEW YORK, Dec. 13.-Money on call was easy at 326 per cent., the last loan being made

at 3, closing offered at 2. Prime mercantile paper, 41 26 per cent

Sterling exchange quiet but firm. The total sales of stocks to-day were 164,544 phares, including the following: Delaware, Lackawanna & Western, 30,070; Lake Shore, 5,720; Missouri Pacific, 12,785; New Jersey Central, 6,260; Reading, 26,129; Richmond & West Point, 10,420; St. Paul, 15,000; Union Pacific, 10,325;

Western Union, 9,160. To-day's stock market was less interesting than any of its predecessors for the past few weeks, being more than usually under the control of the professional element, which see sawed prices up and down several times, with their bearish inclinations showing in the downward drift of values. The news of the day was so reassuring a that which has been received for the past few days, as the railroad status in the West was disturbed by the Chicago & Alton proving a stumbling-block in the way of the advance in both passenger and freight rates, while it was announced that President Kimball had returned home without effecting any settlement of the East Tennessee matter, and from the foregoing causes the grangers and Southern stocks were especially weak all the way out. The prominent feature of the mark couraging nature was the strength displayed by the coal stocks, there being much bull talk upon those shares, and a deal in Lackswanns was said to be under way. There was a better feeling on the other side of the ocean, but it had very little, if any, effect for good upon this market, and the foreigners were even sellers of their stocks to a limited extent, especially in the forenoon, which gave considerable encouragement to the bearish traders to hammer the list. Special attention was paid by them to Rock Island, Missouri Pacific and Richmond & West Point preferred, all of which scored very material losses, and closed lower than the rest of the list. The general list was very quiet, and the great bulk of the business done was confined to only nine stocks, although the number of the inactive shares traded in was much larger than usual. The opening was quiet at irregular but generally higher figures, and Jersey Central was conspicuous with a gain of ? per cent. This advantage was further increased in the early trading, but the tember of the speculation soon underwent a change, and Richmond and West Point preferred and Rock Island became conspicuous for the declines established. Before noon there was a full recovery, however, and the best prices of the day generally were reached. In the afternoon the market relapsed into duliness, and while there was a general downward drift to prices, the movements were small and unimportant until the last hour, when more decided weakness was developed, and the market closed quiet, but heavy to weak, generally at fractional losses for the day. The active list is almost invariably

Pacific, 1 per cent. Railroad bonds were still dull and generally uninteresting, the sales of all issues aggregating only \$957,000, but there was a firm tone during most of the day and closing prices generally, show advances. The only feature was the strength in Kansas & Texas fives, which rose 2 per cent., to 58, but other gains include Rock Island registered sixes, 2, to 134; St. Paul, Chieago & Missouri River fives, 2, to 100; Mahoning Coal fives, 2, to 109, and New York Central firsts, registered, 31, to 1351.

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Government bonds were dull but steady to firm. State bonds dull and steady. The closing quotations were:

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Tenn. settlem'nt 6s. 104	Michigan Central 85
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St. P., C. & Pac. 1sts120	Oregon Navigation 90 Ore. & Transcontin'l 2918
Tex. Pacific Ists 894	Ore. & Transcontin'1 2918
Tex. Pacific 2ds 38	Pacific Mail 35
Union Pacific 1sts 11459	Peoria, D. & E 2418
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Delaware & Hudson 1263	W., St. L. & P. pref 233
Del., Lack. & West 1375	Wells & Fargo Exp. 139
D. & Rio Grande 16	W. U. Telegraph 8218
East Tennessee 93	Am. cotseed cert'f. 5458
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East Tenn. pref. 2d. 224	Homestake 12
Erie 254	Iron Silver 325
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NEW YORK AND CHICAGO.

Yesterday's Quotations on Produce at the Two Great Commercial Centers.

NEW YORK, Dec. 13 .- Flour-Receipts, 21, 050 packages; exports, 2,215 brls, 2,537 sacks; Ermer and more active for home trade; sales, 14,100 bris.

Wheat-Receipts, 42,277 bu; exports none; sales, 3,800,000 bu futures, 16,000 bu spot. Spot market strong, 2011c higher and dull; No. 2 red. \$1.067 @ 1.07 elevator, \$1.08 affoat, \$1.071 @ 1.09 f. o. b.; No. 3 red, 99c; ungraded red, \$1.062; No. 2 Chicago, \$1.13; No. 2 Milwaukee, \$1.064; No. 1 white, \$1.07; No. 1 red, \$1.15. Options were more active and strong; opened |@ic higher, advanced to to and declined to lo. cosing folic over yesterday; No. 2 red, December, \$1.06 al.06 closing at \$1.06; January, \$1.07 al.07; closing at \$1.07; February, \$1.08\(\frac{1}{2}\)\(\pi\)1.09, closing at \$1.08\(\frac{1}{2}\); March, \$1.10\(\pi\)
1.10\(\frac{1}{2}\), closing at \$1.10\(\frac{1}{2}\); April, \$1.11\(\frac{1}{2}\), closing at \$1.11\(\frac{1}{2}\); May, \$1.12\(\frac{1}{2}\)\(\pi\)1.13\(\frac{1}{2}\), closing at \$1.12\(\frac{1}{2}\); June, \$1.12\(\pi\)1.12\(\frac{1}{2}\), closing at \$1.12\(\frac{1}{2}\). Barley steady; No. 1 Canada, 88 289c; No. 2

Corn-Receipts, 56,102 bu; exports, 136,844 bu; sales, 664,000 bu futures, 152,000 bu spot. Spot market moderately active; old corn higher, new easier. No. 2, 46 0 46 c elevator, 47 0 47 c affoat; ungraded mixed, 37 @ 37 c; No. 2 white, 47 c; steamer, mixed, 43 0 45 c; No. 3, 41 0 42c. Options dull, & afe higher and firm; December, 461 @ 461c, closing at 463c; January, 461 @ 461c, elosing at 46 c; February, 461 247c, closing at sold and delivered prior to Dec. 1. About 250,-46ic: May, 46 a 46ic, closing at 46ic; June, 45ic

Oats-Receipts, 83,000 bu; sexports, 600 bu; sales, 25,000 bu futures, 117,000 bu spot. Spot market a trifle firmer and moderately active.
Options steady and dull; January, 31ic; February, 32ic. May, 34ic; spot No. 2, white, 34 @ 35c; mixed Western, 29i @ 32c; white Western, 30 @ 40c; No. 2 Chicago, 32c.

Hay easy and quiet.

Hops weak and duil.

Coffee—Options opened barely steady, and
80 240 points down, and closed steady at 5 220

15.20@15.50e; April, 15,20@15.55e; May, 15.25@ 15.55e; June, 15.35@15.60e; July, 15.45@15.60e; September, 15.45 @ 15.65c; October, 15.50 @ 15.65c. Sugar-Raw barely steady; refined firm with moderate demand.

Rice fairly active and firm.

Tallow unsettled; city, 61 26fc. Rosin quiet. Eggs quiet; fresh steady; Western, 221 @ 23c; receipts, 2,421 packages. Cut meats slow; middles quiet. Lard stronger, closing weak, with a moderate demand; Western steam, 8.45c; December, 8.42c, closing at 8.45c; January, 8 28 @ 8.35c, closing at 8.28c; February, 8.23 @8.30e, closing at 8.23e; March, 8.23 @8.30e; April, 8.26c; May, 8.26 28.32c; June, 8.26c. Butter easy and quiet; Western dairy, 14 @ 24c; Western creamery, 1923le; Elgins nominal. Cheese steady, with a moderate demand; Western, 10@11%c.

CHICAGO, Dec. 13.-Wheat was stronger today, and a good speculative business was transacted. The advance was attributed principally to speculative influences. The opening was firmer and | @ to higher than yesterday's closing, advanced, with numerous small fluctuations, 150 above inside figures, then declined ic and closed to higher than yesterday. Domestic markets were stronger, and this, together with light receipts in the Northwest, created a bullish tendency from the start, and, with some buying by interested bull operators, the advance was established, assisted by fair covering of shorts. Realizing sales by some of the large traders at the advance resulted in the reaction from the outside prices. Advices from the winter-wheat districts were favorable, regarding the growing crop, and the fail of snow in some sections, although only light, was of benefit to the plant. A little better feeling was developed in corn, a rather dull undertone prevailing, and transactions, though limited, were at slightly advanced prices. Opening sales were to higher than the closing prices of yesterday, and prices advanced to then reacted to, became steady and closed the same as yesterday. Most of the trade occurred early in the session. Trading in oats was moderate. A quiet and easier feeling provailed in December and January, and prices declined slightly, owing to continued good receipts. May remained steady. Trading was only moderately active in mess pork. Prices were advanced 124@15c early in the day, but gradually settled back again 171 @ 20c and closed quiet. Very little interest was manifested in lard. The feeling was firm early, and prices were advanced .021 2.05c, but a weaker feeling set in and prices receded .05@.07 c and closed rather quiet. Short-ribs sides attracted little attention. Prices were advanced .07+ @.10c. Later the market ruled weaker, and prices receded .05 @.074c and closed quiet. The leading futures ranged as follows:

signify the	Opening	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.
Wheat-December.	\$1.0638	\$1.0638	\$1.054	\$1.054
January	1.0638	1.0719	1.0614	The state of the s
May	1.11	1.1178		1.1114
Corn-December	3419			3458
January				3478
May	3734	3778	3734	373
Oats-December	2614			2618
January				2614
May	2938	2938	2934	2938
Pork-December		13.60	13.4719	13.4719
January	13.55	13.70	13.5219	13.55
May	13.95	14.10	13.924	13.9712
Lard-December	8.1219			8.10
January		8.05	7.95	7.95
May	8.10	8.10	8.0219	8.031
Short Ribs-Jan'ary	7.0719	7.10	7.05	7.073
May		7.2712	7.20	7.20

Cash quotations were as follows: Flour firm and unchanged. No. 2 spring wheat, \$1.054; No. 3 spring wheat, \$1.00 @1.06; No. 2 red, \$1.051; No. 2 corn, 341c; No. 2 cats, 26 2261c; No. 2 rye, 52c; No. 2 barley. 77c f. o. b.; No. 1 flaxseed, \$1.54; prime timothyseed, \$1.50; mess pork, per brl. \$13.50 @ 13.62½; lard, per pound, 8.10c; short-rib sides, (loose), 7.05 @ 7.10c; dry-salted shoulders (boxed), 7.00 @7.12tc; short-clear sides (boxed), 7.37t @ 7.50c; whisky, distillers' finished goods, per gai, \$1.20; sugars, cut-loaf, 8@8ic; granulated, 7ic;

Standard A. 74c.
On the Produce Exchange, to-day, the butter market was easy; fancy Elgin creamery, 31 @33c; choice Western, 25@27c; fancy dairy, 24@25c; good to choice, 22@23c; eggs dull at 201@31c. Receipts-Flour, 12,000 brls.; wheat, 35,000 bu; corn, 299,000 bu; oats, 195,000 bu; rve, 13,000 bu; barley. 60,000 bu. Shipments-Flour. 9,000 down 2 per ceut; Rock Island, 11, and Missouri brls; wheat, 8,000 bu; corn, 259,000 bu; oats, 96,000 bu; rye, 5,000 bu; barley, 40,000 bu.

> Spirit of the Chicago Wheat Market. CHICAGO, Dec. 13 .- The first bit of im portant news afloat this morning was that receipts of wheat at Minneapolis to-day were 200 cars, and that the snow had put an entire quietus on the movement from first hands in the Northwest. Later in the day dispatches were received estimating to-morrow's receipts at 225 cars, and announcing that the number of loaded cars on track in Minneapolis had been reduced to 1,000. The number was 1,900 at the beginning of the week. The long-expected "sharp falling off in receipts at Minneapolis" seems to have come at last, and there is little prospect that the big movement will be resumed on the crop, though there may be an occasional brief period of good arrivals as the weather may favor the transportation companies. The local market was firm at an improvement in values over yesterday. The strength was apparent not only in the futures but in the cash markets as well, the December discount under May narrowing about 2c. The latter circumstance is due, however, more to a competition between elevator companies for the wheat in store here than to legitimate inquiry for shipping or milling purposes. A break in the 'elevator combine' seems to have been started. one proprietor having been accused of buying up receipts wherever he could lay his hands on them and transferring the grain to his own bins. With this competition between parties interested in storage the general trade has at the present moment only a passing interest, though it may cut a figure later where the wheat is located

It is only mentioned now as an incident. Opening sales were at \$1.11@1.117, and a good deal of wheat was for sale at this range, and around \$1.11@1.114 a little while later. The market gradually moved up to \$1.11%, and back to \$1.113. For the next hour or two it ranged at 1.111 @1.112, with Kennett selling freely most of the time, presumably for Cudaby. A lull in buying occurred about noon, and a sharp break to \$1.10; ensued. The scalpers sold savagely on the break, but offerings were greedily licked up on every little break, and the later trading was at \$1.11\frac{1}{2}\vartice{1}.11\frac{2}{3}, the close being \$1.11\frac{1}{2}\vartice{1}.11\frac{2}{3}.

December ranged at \$1.05\frac{3}{2}\vartice{1}.06\frac{2}{3}, and closed at \$1.051. The first recorded trade in January was at \$1.06%. That month ranged at \$1.06% at 1.07%. and closed at \$1.06%. As compared with yesterday, the price leaves off 105c higher for late futures, and about 2c for January. The character of the trading was supposed to posses rather more significance than usual. Contrary to their usual custom, the local leaders did not sell openly on the advance, unless Kennett's selling can be designated under that head. On the contrary, Linn, Ream, Fairbanks, and, indeed, the whole bull contingent, bought steadily. though perhaps not largely, and their information bureau has rarely been more active. The slump which has come to be looked upon as a sure thing of late every time the price gets above \$1.104 certainly did not come to-day, and the belief was entertained among the wiseacres that the bull party would try very hard to make

a resting place at a higher plane. The strength of public and private cables was one of the distinguishing characteristics of the market. Public cables quoted an advance, and as a rule foreigh advices were even more strongly tinged with bullish news than public dispatches. There was more general trading by commission merchants than for a long time and public confidence in the market seems to be good grades on the market; prices barely steady. turning again. A late bit of gossip was the announcement that the Price Current would, tomorrow, publish an article on the wheat situstion very bullish in tenor. On the whole, the bulls had the best of it to-day, as on yesterday,

in news and price. Daily Business says: "A cablegram from Glasgow characterizes the reported sale of flour for Leith as absurd. For all that, the flour was being loaded at Pillsbury to-day, and the sale of another 5,000 sacks by Washburne for shipment to London was reported. That the price obtained is as high as quoted is doubted by those in the trade who are best qualified to judge, but the flour is believed to have been sold for export shipment as reported, the only point in doubt being the price."

The Steel-Rail Market. NEW YORK, Dec. 13.-There is increased activity in the steel-rail market. President B. J. Clarke, of the Thomas Iron Company, says to-day: "Prices at Chicago and the seaboard are ruling above \$29 per ton, and at the mills the ruling rate is \$28 per ton. The sales already made for delivery next year now amount to 400,000 tons." In 1888 over 1,251,000 tons were

the total 1,451,000 tons. TRADE IN GENERAL

Quotations at St. Louis, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Cincinnati and Other Points. ST. LOUIS, Dec. 13 .- Flour easy but unchanged. Hops weak and duil.

Coffee—Options opened barely steady, and 20 240 points down, and closed steady at 5 220 points below yesterday. Sales, 108,000 bags, including December, 14.90 215.30c; January, 15.15.215.35c; February. 15.15.215.40c; March, 31 231 4c; December, 31.231 4c, closing at 31 31.8c.

nominal; January, 3118@313sc, closing at 3114@ 3119c; February, 315sc; May, 345sc. Oats higher and firm, but slow. No. 2 mixed cash 2519c asked; May, 29 @ 29 ec. Rye dull; No. 3, 46 c. Barley-No sales. Hay firm for good grades; prairie, \$72 9.50; mixed timothy, \$8211; timothy, \$11214. Bran, quiet at 66268c. Flax-seed, firm at \$1.45c. Lead higher; common, 3.55c. Butter dull and lower; creamery, 29 \$\alpha 30c; dairy, 16 \$\alpha 26c; Northern roll, 20 \$\alpha 24c. Eggs quiet at 19c. Corn-meal firm at \$1.85 @1.90. Bagging steady at 1112@1334c. Iron cotton ties, \$1.20@1.25. Whisky steady at \$1.14. Provisions firm with a good job trade. Pork, \$14. Lard, Sc asked. Dry-salt meats—Loose lots, shoulders, 6.25c; longs and ribs, 7.20c; short clear, 7.45c. Bacon—Shoulders, 7.25c; longs, 8.20c; ribs, 8.25c; short clear, 8.45@8.50c; hams, 10.3712@13c. Receipts-Flour, 3,000 brls; wheat, 8,000 bu; corn, 165,000 bu; oats, 17,000 bu; rye, 1,000 bu; barley, none. Shipments-Flour, 10,000 bu; wheat, 8,000 bu; corn,

80,000 bu; oats, 10,000 bu; rye, none; barley, none. PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 13 .- Flour-Prices in buyers' favor. Wheat dull; prices firm and higher, No. 2 red, December, \$1.02401.023; January, \$1.0340 1.034; February, \$1.0449@1.05; March, \$1.054@ 1.064; May,\$1.0942@1.10. Corn-New crop coming in freely, but hard to move, owing to the damp and inferior quality of the arrivals; old firmly held; demand light. Speculation dull; new No. 4 mixed, in grain depot, 33% c; new No. 3 mixed, in grain depot. 36c; new 3 high mixed, in elevator, 37c; new steamer, 39c; old No. 2 mixed, in elevator, 51c; No. 2 mixed, December, 4234 04314c; January, 423 @4334c; February, 43@434c; March, 4314@ 44c; May, 44@45c. Oats-Car lots dull; prices steady; No. 3 white, 33 c; regular No. 2 white, 35 @ 35 4c; choice No. 2 white, 36 c. Futures quiet but steady; No. 2 white, December, 345 @ 347 sc; January, 3478@3518c; February, 3514@3519c; March, 3519@36c; May, 3534@3619c. Receipts—Flour, 1,800 bris; wheat, 8,500 bu; corn, 17,500 bu; oats, 9,500 bu. Shipments-Wheat, 10,000 bu; corn, 18,000 bu;

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 13.-Posted receipts of wheat here were only 200 cars, and the disply on the sample tables was not as heavy as usual of late, and under a fair inquiry from all classes of millers prices of the good milling grades were higher. Off grades sold at about the same figures, but even that kind of wheat moved more freely and the close found little grain that was fit for grinding unsold. Some sales of Northern were made at about a cent advance, and holders were firm in asking prices all through the session though some lots were offered near the finish a shade cheaper than they were held at first. The demand was active but not extensive. Closing quotations: No. 1 hard, December, \$1.21; January, \$1.21 g; May, \$1.28; on track, \$1.21@1.22; No. 1 Northern, December, \$1.10; January, \$1.11; May, \$1.1618; on track, \$1.13@1.15; No. 2 Northern, December, \$1.03; January, \$1.04; May, \$1.10; on track, \$1.02 @1.04.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 13 .- Wheat-Western higher; No. 2 winter red, spot, 993c@\$1; December, 993c @\$1; January, \$1.014@1.012; February, \$1.0314 @1.0312. Corn-Western quiet and steady; mixed spot, 42@42\sc; year, 42@42\4c; January, 42\@
42\sc; February, 43\s@43\4c; steamer, spot,
year, January and February, 39\sc bid. Oats
firmer: Western white, 32@35c; Western mixed,
29@31c; graded No. 2 white, 34\s@35c. Rye
quiet and easier at 62@63c. Hay steady and firm; prime to choice timothy, \$17@19. Provisions quiet and easy. Butter dull and easy; Western, packed and best roll, 20224c; creamery, 28232c. Eggs steady at 2223c. Coffee quiet; fair Rio, 174c, Receipts—Flour, 5,000 brls; wheat, 7,000 bu; corn, 163,000 bu; oats, 2,000 bu; rye, 1,000 bu. Shipments—Flour, 5,000 brls. Sales—Wheat, 64,000 bu; corn, 194,000 bu.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 13.—Flour dull. Wheat dull; No. 2 red, \$1.04; receipts, 2.000 bu; shipments, none. Corn in moderate demand; No. 2 mixed, 36c. Oats in fair demand and steady; No. 2 mixed, 27@ 271gc. Rye dull and lower; No. 2, 53c. Pork quiet and firm at \$14@14.25. Lard firm at 8c. Bulkmeats and bacon steady and unchanged. Whisky steady; sales, 804 brls of finished goods on a basis of \$1.14. Butter firm. Sugar easier. Eggs barely steady at 18@19c. Cheese firm. TOLEDO, Dec. 13 .- Wheat firm and higher; cash,

\$1.03\(\frac{1}{2}\)\(\pi\)1.05\(\frac{4}{2}\); January, \$1.04\(\frac{1}{2}\); May, \$1.08\(\frac{1}{2}\)S. Corn steady; No. 2, 36\(\frac{1}{2}\)c; May, 37\(\frac{3}{4}\)c. Oats nominal; cash, 27c. Clover-seed steady; cash, \$5; February, \$5.17\(\frac{1}{2}\). Receipts—Wheat, 1,000 bu; corn, 15,000 bu; oats, 2,000 bu. Shipments-Wheat, 3,000 bu; corn, 19,000 bu; oats, 3,000 bu.

DETROIT, Dec. 13.—Wheat—No. 1 white; cash, \$1.0458; No. 2 red, cash and December, \$1.0644; January, \$1.0634; May, \$1.1138. Corn—No. 2, January, 354c. Oats—No. 2, 28c; No. 2, white, 3046. Receipts—Wheat, 14,300 bu; corn, 15,800; bu; oats, LOUISVILLE, Dec. 13 .- Grain and provisions un-

NEW YORK, Dec. 13 .- Petroleum opened excited at 90 3cc. 7cc above last night's closing, and in the first few minutes sold all the way from 904c to 907sc at almost the same instant. The market soon quieted down, however, and the prices sagged off to 895gc, but rallied later and closed firm at 903gc. Total sales, 1,559,000 brls. Turpentine firm and quiet at 4534 @46c.

OIL CITY, Pa., Dec. 13 .- National Transit certificates opened at 9014c; highest, 9078c; lowest, 8934c; closed, 9019c; sales, 1,015,000 brls; clearances, 2,-120,000 brls; charters, 222 brls; shipments, 65,-238 brls; runs, 54,102 brls. PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 13 .- Petroleum active and

firm. National Transit certificates opened at 9014c; closed at 905c; highest, 907c; lowest, 893c. WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 13 .- Turpentine firm CHARLESTON, S. C., Dec. 13 .- Turpentine firm SAVANNAH, Ga., Dec, 13 .- Turpentine steady at

Cotton. NEW YORK, Dec. 13 .- Cotton steady; middling uplands, 978c; middling Orleans, 101sc; sales, 239 bales. Futures closed steady; sales, 36,500 bales; December, 9.54c; January, 9.61c; February, 9.73c; March, 9.86c; April, 9.96c; May, 10.06c; June, 10.15c; July, 10.22c; August, 10.28c; September,

NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 13 .- Cotton steady; middling, 919e; low middling, 9e; good ordinary, 814e; net receipts, 8,584 bales; gross receipts, 9,278 bales; exports to France, 4,550 bales; to the continent, 11,488 bales; sales, 6,000 bales; stock, 289,462 LIVERPOOL, Dec. 13 .- Cotton steady, with a fair demand. Sales, 10,000 bales, of which 1,000 bales

were for speculation and export, and included 7,400 bales American. Dry Goods. NEW YORK, Dec. 13 .- No general activity was

remarked, but a quiet request in many instances took good quantity of stuffs desirable for next seas Metals. NEW YORK, Dec. 13 .- Copper weak; lake, De-

cember, 17.20c. Lead quiet and steady: domestic. 3.721gc. Tin firm but quiet; straits, 21.85c. Wool.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 13 .- Wool steady.

LIVE STOCK. Butcher Cattle a Shade Stronger-Hogs Active

and Higher During Early Trading. INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 13.

CATTLE-Receipts, 200; shipments, 80. The receipts continue light. Butcher stock a shade stronger while common are dull and no better; shipping grades are barely steady at quotations. Feeders in better

Good to choice shippers ......\$3.90@4.50

ł	Fair to medium 3.20 3.70
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1	Common 2.50 22.80
۱	Feeders, 1.000 to 1,100 lbs 2.85@3.25
۱	Stockers, 700 to 900 lbs 2.00@2.65
1	Good to choice heifers 2.50@3.00
1	Common to medium heifers 1.50@2.25
1	Good to choice cows 2.35 22.75
1	Fair to medium cows 1.65@2.15
۱	Common old cows 1.00 a 1.40
1	Veals, common to good 3.00 24.50
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١	Hogs-Receipts, 5,850; shipments, 2,480. With
١	light supply and strong demand the market opened
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ı	active and higher. Trade ruled active until all were
ı	sold except some arrivals during the afternoon,
ı	which had to be held over; closed easier with quite a
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ı	tame feeling. The following are the morning prices:
ı	Heavy\$5.35@5.40
ı	Mixed 5.25@5.30
ı	Common to good light 5.20@5.35
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H	Heavy roughs 4.50 0 4.90
ı	SHEEP-Receipts,; shipments, But few
	good grades on the markets prices harely steady

Fair to medium...... 3.10@3.40 Common..... 2.25@2.75 Elsewhere.

Good to choice.....\$3.60@4.15

Common very dull and hard to sell at mean prices.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 13 .- The Live Stock Indicator reports: Cattle-Receipts, 3,923; shipments, 2, 356. Slow, except for choice stockers and feeding steers, which were active. Good to choice corn-fed, \$4.50@4.90; common to medium, \$3.25@4.30; stock er's and feeding steers, \$203.30; grass-range steers, \$1.75@2.80; cows, \$1.25@2.80. Hogs-Receipts, 8,408; shipments, 904. Opened active, strong and 5c higher, closing with the advance lost. Good to choice, \$5.05@5.1219; common to medium, \$4.80@5. Sheep-Receipts, 738; shipments, --. Firm for good and slow for common. Good to choice muttons,

\$3.50@3.75; common to medium, \$1.50@3. ST. LOUIS, Dec. 13.-Cattle-Receipts, 1,800; shipments, 2,100. Market steady. Choice heavy native steers, \$5 25.50; fair to good native steers, \$4.30\alpha5.10; butchers' steers, medium to choice, \$3.30\alpha4.40; stockers and feeders, fair to good, \$2\alpha 3.10; rangers, corn-fed, \$3\alpha4.20; grass-fed, \$2.10\alpha

Hogs-Receipts, 4,600; shipments, 800. Market higher; choice heavy and butchers' selections, \$5.30 @5.40; packing, fair to choice, \$5.10@5.30; light grades, ordinary to best, \$4.95 05.15. Sheep—Receipts, 400; shipments, none. Market steady; fair to choice, \$3@4.50. CINCINNATI, Dec. 13.—Cattle—Receipts, 625; shipments, 200. In good demand, firmer. Sheep—Receipts, 1.000; shipments, 100. Market firmer. Lambs, firm for choice stock at \$3.50@5.75.

Hogs more active and higher. Common and light, \$4.50\\(\pi\_5.25\); packing and butchers', \$5.10\(\pi\_5.30\); receipts, 5.040; shipments, 2.060. EAST LIBERTY, Pa., Dec. 13.—Cattle—Receipts, 1,216; shipments, 1,216. Market dull; nothing doing; all through consignments. No cattle shipped to New York to-day.

Hogs-Receipts, 3,500; shipments, 2,500. Market firm; Philadelphias, \$5.4025.50; mixed, \$5.402

5.45; Yorkers, \$5.40 25.50; common to fair, \$5.30@ 5.35; pigs, \$5.25@5.50. Six cars of hogs shipped to New York to-day. Sheep-Receipts, 1,206; shipments, 1,600. Nothing on sale.

CHICAGO, Dec. 13.—Cattle—Receipts, 11.000; shipments, 4,000. Market steady. Choice Christmas steers, \$6.50@7; beeves, \$4.75@5.25; steers, \$3@4.25; stockers and feeders, \$1.40@3.10; Texas cattle, \$1.40@3.20. Hogs-Receipts, 20,000; shipments, 4,000. Market slow but steady. Mixed and light, \$5.10@5.35; heavy, \$5.20@5.45; skips, \$3.40@4.90. Sheep—Receipts, 10,000; shipments, 2,000. Market dull and 10@20c lower. Natives, \$3@4.80; Westerns, \$3.25@4.40; Texans, \$3.25@3.40; lambs, \$3.75 @ 5.75.

BUFFALO, Dec. 13 .- Cattle-Receipts, 600 head through; no sale. Quiet; feeling steady.

Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 200 head through;
1,400 head for sale. Sheep steady; shipping stockers,
\$424.50; Western lambs firm at \$5.2525.75; Canadas higher at \$6.25 \$6.40. Hogs-Receipts, 3,750 head through; 3,000 head for sale. Fairly active and 15@25c lower; medium. \$5.35; Yorkers and pigs, \$5.45@5.50; pigs, \$4.50@4.75; stags, \$4@4.25.

NEW YORK, Dec. 13.-Beeves-Receipts, 190, all for slaughterers direct. No market for beeves, but firmer for dressed beef at 628c per pound for native sides, and 527c for Texas and Colorado Sheep-Receipts, 6,100. Market steady for good stock, but easier for common. Extremes for sheep,

\$3 25.60 per 100 pounds, and for lambs \$5 2 Hogs-Receipts, 1,600, all for city slaughterers direct. No trading in live hogs; market nominally unchanged at \$5.40@5.80.

INDIANAPOLIS MARKETS.

The Current of Trade Healthy in Its Character, while Prices, as a Rule, Are Very Firm.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 13.

Continued favorable weather is exerting beneficial influence on trade, and the representation of buyers is sufficient in numbers to keep the volume of trade well up to the proportions of several days past. Sugars have taken on a quiet tone, and while prices are steady, there is an absence of the buoyancy which characterized the market a week ago. Coffees carry a very strong tone. There does not appear to be much change in the current of feeling on the market for Brazil grades. On the buying side there is an inclination to stand off whenever that policy can be adopted, the fuller cost stimulating a combative spirit and bringing investment closely to the actual requirements of the hour. Adhering to the idea that country accumulations are drained, however, encouraged by the speculative tendency, owners hold the stock stiffly and without undue effort to realize. Indeed, actual goods show a decided indifference toward the downward fluctuations on the Exchange, and in a general way stand up stiffly for all the gains recently made, with a good disposition shown to handle desirable influences on spot and affoat. Oranges are in fair request and steady in price, and lemons are meeting with a better sale. The large stock of bananas is being gradually reduced, but prices continue weak. Grapes are in light supply and firmer prices are noticeable on Malagas, the report being that there is a short crop. Game is in light supply and in good demand, but prices now are at so high a range that no advance need be looked for. In furs and skins but little is doing, prices being nominal. With the coming of cooler weather vegetables are firmer, although not quotably higher. Apples are not arriving so freely, and an advance in price is indicated. Cranberries sell slow. Cheese rules firmer. Eggs are arriving freely, and prices are weakening in their tendency. Poultry is steady and meeting with fair sale.

There was only a fair attendance on 'Change to-day. The Board of Trade Price Current gives the following quotations:

Wheat-Receipts, 8 cars. Market quiet; the demand is entirely from the local millers. No. 2 red, \$1.02 @ 1.03; No. 3 red is salable at 96 @ 99c; rejected at 75 287e for poor to good samples, and choice at 88 @94c.

Corn-Receipts, 33 cars; yesterday, 41 cars. The shipping demand is fair, but manufacturers are buying but little on account of the advanced freight rates that will go into effect on the 17th of this month; offerings are free. New No. 3 white, one color is saleable at 33c; new No. 4 white saleable at 31@321e; new No. 3 yellow at 31@31 c; new No. 3 mixed at 30 @31c; new No. 4 mixed at 29@291c; new ear mixed 281 @291c; white, 30 @31c.

Oats-Receipts, 1 car; yesterday, 7 cars. Firmer; but little doing. No. 2 white, 29½c; No. 3 white, 28tc bid, 29c asked; No. 2 mixed is saleabid at 27c; rejected saleable at 231 @241c. Hay-Receipts, 2 cars; yesterday, 1 car. Offerings are free and market very heavy. No. 1 timothy held at \$13.75 to arrive, \$13 bid spot No. 2 timothy held at \$12; mixed, \$9@9.50; No. 1 prairie, \$8.50@9. We quote straw at \$5; rye straw, \$6. Feeds-Bran, market firm; offerings light;

> The Jobbing Trade. CANNED GOODS.

shippers bidding \$13.25. Hominy feed slow sale

Peaches-Standard, 3-pound, \$1.80@2.00; 3-pound seconds, \$1.40@1.60. Miscellaneous-Blackberries, 2-pound, \$0.200c; raspberries, 2-pound, \$1.152 1.30; pineapple, standard, 2-pound, \$1.152 seconds, 2-pound, \$1.1021.20; cove oysters, 1-pound, full weight, 95c2\$1; light, 65270c; 2-pound, full, \$1.7021.80; light, 90c2\$1; string beans, 85295c; Lima beans, \$1.2021.30; peas, marrowfat, \$1.2021.30; Lima beans, \$1.2021.30; peas, marrowfat, \$1.2021.30; strawberries, \$1.2021.30; salmon (lbs), \$1.9022.50. COAL AND COKE.

Anthracite, \$7.25 and \$7.50 \$7 ton; Jackson lump, \$4.00 \$7 ton; nut, \$3.50; Brazil block, \$3.50 \$7 ton; nut, \$3.00; Pittsburg, \$4.00 \$\psi\$ ton; nut, \$3.75; Raymond and Winifrede, \$4.00 \$\psi\$ ton; nut, \$3.75; Duggar lump, \$3.25 \$\psi\$ ton; nut, \$2.75; Island City lump, \$3.25 \$\psi\$ ton; nut, \$3.00; Highland lump, \$3.00 \$\psi\$ ton; nut, \$2.50; Piedmont and Blossburg, \$5.00 v ton: Indiana cannel, \$5.00 v ton; gas-house coke, 11c v bu, or \$2.75 v load; crushed coke, 12c v bu, or \$3.00 W load.

Alcohol, \$2.22@2.30; asafætida, 15@20e: alum, 4 25c; camphor, 30232c; cochineal, 50255c; chloroform, 50@55c; copperas, bris, \$3@3.50; cream tartar, pure, 40@42c; indigo, 80@81c; licorice, Calab., genuine, 30@45c; indigo, 80@81c; incorice, Calab., genuine, 30@45c; magnesia, carb.; 2-oz, 25@35c; morphine, P. & W. P oz, \$2.80; madder, 12@14c; oil, castor, P gal, \$1.10@1.15; oil, bergamot, P in, \$3@3.25; opium, \$3@3.15; quinine, P. & W., P oz, 50@55c; balsam copabia, 60@65c; soap, Castile, Fr., 12@16c; soda, bicarb., 41@6c; salts, Epsom, 4\pi5c; sulphur, flour, 4\pi6c; saltpetre, 8\pi20c; turpentine, 50@54c; glycerine, 25@30c; idodide potass., \$303.20; bromide potass., 40042c; chlorate potash, 25c; borax, 10012c; cinchonidia, 12015c; carbolic acid, 45050c.

Oils-Linseed oil, raw, 57c P gal; boiled, 60s, coal oil, legal test, 9@14c; bank, 40c; best straite; 45c; Labrador, 60c; West Virginia, lubricating, 20@30c; miners', 65c. Lard Oils-No. 1, 50@50c; do, extra, 65@70c.
WHITE LEAD-Pure, 6%c; lower grades, 54@6c.

DRY GOODS. Tickings-Amoskeag ACA, 13c; Conestoga B F 15c; Conestoga extra, 13 c; Conestog Gold Medal, 14c; Conestoga COA, 12c; Conestogaa AA, 10c; Conestoga X, 9c; Pearl River, 12c; Fails OBO, 32-inch, 13 c; Methuen AA, 12 c; Oakland A, 7 c; Swift River, 7 c; York, 32-inch, 13 c; York, 30-inch, BLEACHED SHEETINGS-Blackstone AA, 784c; Ballou & Son. 7 gc; Chestnut Hill, 6c; Cabot 4-4, 7 gc; Chapman X, 6 gc; Dwight Star S, 8 gc; Fruit of the Loom, 8 gc; Lonsdale, 8 gc; Linwood, 8c; Masonville, 8 gc; New York Mills, 10 gc; Our Own, 5 gc; Pepperell, 9-4, 22c; Pepperell, 10-4, 24c; Hills, 8 gc; Hope, 7 gc; Knight's Cambric, 8c; Lonsdale Cambric, 10c; Whitinsville, 33-inch, 6 gc; Wamsutta, 10 gc. GINGHAMS—Amoskeag, 71gc; Bates, 71gc; Gloncester, 71gc; Glasgow, 61gc; Lancaster, 71gc; Ranelman's, 71gc; Renfrew Madras, 81gc; Cumberland, 61gc; White, 7c; Bookfold, 91c.
GRAIN BAGS—American. \$16; Atlanta, \$18; Frankknville, \$17.50; Lewiston, \$18; Ontario, \$16.50; PAPER CAMBRICS-Manville, 6c; S. S. & Son. 6e Masonville, 6c: Garner, 6c. PRINTS-American fancy, 61ge: Allen's fancy, 6e; Allen's dark, 5 4c; Allen's pink, 6 4c; Arnold's, 6 2c; Berlin, solid colors, 6c; Cocheco, 6c; Conestoga, 5 2c; Dunnell's, 5 2c; Eddystone, 6 2c; Hartel, 5 2c; Harmony, 5c; Hamilton, 6c; Greenwich, 5 2c; Knicker mony, 5c; Hamilton, 6c; Greenwich, 5-3c; Knicker, bocker, 5-3c; Mallory pink, 6c.

Brown Shretings—Atlantic A, 7-3c; Boott C, 6c;
Agawam E, 5-3c; Bedford R, 5c; Augusta, 5-3c;
Boott AL, 63c; Continental C, 6-3c; Dwight Star, 8c; Echo Lake, 6c; Graniteville EE, 6-3c; Lawrence LL, 6c; Pepperell E, 7-3c; Pepperell R, 6-3c; Pepperell 9-4, 20c; Pepperell 10-4, 22c; Utica 9-4, 22-3c!
Utica 10-4, 25c; Utica C, 4-3c.

FOREIGN FRUITS. Raisins, London layer, new, \$3.50@3.75 \$\psi\$ box; loose, muscatelle, 2-crown, \$2.50@3.75 \$\psi\$ box; Valencia, new, 719@80 P lb; citron, 24@26c P lb; currants, 6120712c Plb. Bananas—Jamaica, \$1.500 2.00; Aspinwall, \$1.5002.50. Oranges—Floridas, russets, \$2.0002.25; brights, \$2.5002.75 Pbox. Lemons—Fair stock, \$2.75; choice, \$3.50; extra fancy, \$4.50. Figs, 14016c. Prunes—Turkish, old, 440419c; new, 50519c.

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES. APPLES-Per brl, choice, \$1.50@2; common. 75c 281.25; selling in bulk on track, 30 @40c P bu. CRANBERRIES-Per brl, \$5.50 @7.50; bushel boxes. choice, \$2.50@2.75. GRAPES-Concords, fresh and repacked. 25c P heavy weight, \$4.00 for light weight; Fenly, \$7. ONIONS-\$1.10@1.25 # brl; Spanish, \$1.00 POTATORS-Per brl, \$1.25@1.50; from car. 35@ 450 per bu. SWEET POTATOES -Jerseys, \$3.25@3.50 P brl for bulk: packed stock, \$3.75@4.00 P brl; Kentucky, \$2.00@2.25 P brl.

COFFERS—Ordinary grades, 16@17e; fair, 17½ @18e; good, 18½@19½c; prime, 20½@21½e; strictly prime to choice, 21½@22½e; fancy green and yellow, 22½@23½e; old government Java, 31½@32½e; ordinary Java, 27½@28½e, imitation Java, 25½@26½e; roasted coffees, 22¾e.

MOLASSES AND SYBUPS—New Orleans molasses,

fair to prime, 30 235c; choice, 40 250c. Syrups, 30 FLOUR SACKS—No. 1 drab, 4 brl, \$33 \$ 1,000; 4 brl, \$17; lighter weight, \$1 \$ 1,000 less.

LEAD—7@8c for pressed bars.

DRIED BEEF-11@13c. SPICES-Pepper, 184019c; allspice, 10012c; cloves, 24028c; cassia, 10012c; nutmegs, 70085c STABCH-Refined pearl, 3@34c P tb: Eureka, 5 @6c: Champion gloss lump, 3404; improved corn, 5406c. RICE-Louisiana, 507c.

SHOT-\$1.45@1.50 P bag for drop.

TWINE--Hemp, \$12@18c P B; wool, 8@10c; flax, 20@30c; paper, 18c; jute, 12@15c; cotton, 16@25c. WOODENWARE-No. 1 tubs, \$7.75@8.00; No 2 tubs, \$6.75@7.00; No. 3 tubs, \$5.75@6.00; 3-hoop pails, \$1.75@1.80; double washboards, \$2@2.75; common washboards, \$1.20@1.85; clothes-pins, 50 @85c P box. WOODEN DISHES .-- Per 100, 1 m, 20c; 2 me, 25c 3 fbs. 30c: 5 fbs. 40c. 3 fbs, 30c; 5 fbs, 40c.

WRAPPING-PAPER--Crown straw, 18c P bundle;
medium straw, 27c; double-crown straw, 36c; heavyweight straw, 1%22c P fb; crown rag, 20c P bundle; medium rag, 30c; double-crown rag, 40c; heavyweight rag, 2423c P fb; Manila, No. 1, 829c; No.
2, 5123612c; print paper, No. 1, 627c; book paper,
No. 3, 8, & C., 10211c; No. 2, 8, & C., 829c; No.
1, 8, & C., 7428c.

IRON AND STEEL. Bar iron (rates), 222.25c; horse-shoe bar, 3.25c Norway rail rod, 8c; German steel plow-slabs, 4c American drill steel, 10212c; Sanderson tool steel 16c; tire steel, 4c; spring steel, 6c; horse shoes \$\P\$ keg \$4.2524.50; mules shoes \$\P\$ keg, \$5.2525.50 horse nails \$\P\$ box, 8d., \$5; steel nails, 10d and larger, \$2.2522.35 \$\P\$ keg; other sizes at the usual advance; wire nails, \$2.90. TINNERS' SUPPLIES—Best brand charcoal tin, IC, 10x14, 14x20, 12x12, \$6.75; IX, 10x14, 14x20 and 12x12, \$8.50; IC, 14x20, roofing tin, \$5.25; IC, 20x28, \$10.50; block tin, in pigs, 27c; in bars, 29c. Iron—27 B iron, 31sc, 27 C iron, 5c; galvanized, 50 and 10 per cent, discount. Sheet zinc, 7c. Copper bottoms, 30c. Planished copper, 36c; solder, 162

OIL CAKE.

Oil Cake-\$23 P ton; oil meal, \$23. PROVISIONS. JOBBING PRICES.-Smoked meats--Sugar-sugar JOBBING PRICES.—Smoked meats.—Sugar-cuerd hams, 10 to 12 ibs average, 12½c; 15 ibs average, 12½c; 17½ ibs average, 12½c; 20 ibs average, 11½c; 22 ibs average, 11½c; English-cured breakfast bacon, light or medium. 12c; sugar-cured shoulders, 10 to 12 ibs average, 10½c; California hams, light or medium, 10½c; dried beef hams, 11c; dried beef hams, knuckle pieces, 10½c; dried beef hams, thin pieces, 8½c. Bacon—Clear sides, medium average, 10c; elear backs, medium average, 9¾c; clear bellies, medium weight, 10c. Dry salt and Pickled Meats—Clear sides (unsmoked), 9½c; clear backs (unsmoked), 9½c; clear bellies (unsmoked), 9½c; clear pork, 4 brl 200 ibs, \$17.00; ham or rump pork, 4 brl 200 ibs, \$15.50; Bologna—Skin, large or small, 7½c; ibs. \$15.50; Bologna—Skin, large or small, 71sc; cloth, large or small, 7c. Lard—Pure winter leaf, kettle rendered, in tierces, 10c; in one-half brls, 1014c; in 50-th cans in 100-th cases, 1018c; in 20-th cans in 80-th cases, 1014c. Refined Lard—In tierces, 914c; in 50-th cans in 100-th cases, 913c. Fresh Meats—Shoulders, 9c; cottage hams, 9c; pork backs, suitable for chops, fat on, 9c; do, fat off, 913c; ground sausage in 20-th pails. So, ground sausage in 20-th pails. sausage, in 20-lb pails, Sc. ground sausage, in links, 9c; sausage meat, 7c; shoulder bones. 3c. LEATHER, HIDES AND TALLOW.

LEATHER—Oak sole, 33@37c; nemlock sole, 26@32c; harness, 30@35c; skirting, 37@38c; black bridle, \$60@78 \$\text{\text{dle}}, \$60@65; fair bridle, \$60@78 \$\text{\text{doz.}}; city kip, \$60@80; French kip, \$85@120; city calfakins, 85@\$1.10; French calf-skins, \$1.15@1.80. HIDES—Green, 5c; green salt, 6264c; green salt kip, 5254c; green salt calf, 6264c; dry flint, 8c;

SHEEPSKINS—Pelts, 25c@\$1.00.
TALLOW—No. 1, 5<sup>1</sup>4c; No. 2, 4<sup>1</sup>9c.
GREASE...Brown, 2<sup>1</sup>9c; yellow, 2<sup>3</sup>4c; white, 4<sup>1</sup>9c. PRODUCE. BEANS-Choice hand-picked navy,

bu; medium hand-picked, \$2.00@2.15. BEESWAX--Dark, 18c; yellow, 20c.
BUTTER—Fair creamery, 18220c; choice, 23225c; choice creamery, 28232c; country, 15216c; common, 729c. EGGS-Shippers paying 16c; selling from store at 20@21c. FEATHERS Prime geese 350 P 15; mixed duck, 200 P 15. GAME—Ducks, mallard, \$2.75 \$\psi\$ doz; prairie chickens, \$4.50\alpha 5.00 \$\psi\$ doz; quails, \$1.25\alpha 1.50 \$\psi\$ doz; squirrels, \$1.00\alpha 1.25 \$\psi\$ doz; venison, 18c \$\psi\$ is; whole deer, 10c \$\psi\$ is; rabbits. \$1.

POULTRY—Hens, 6c; chickens, 6c; turkeys, 6\alpha 7c; toms, 6c; roosters, 3c; geese, full-feathered, \$\psi\$ doz, \$4.80\alpha 5.00; plucked, \$3.50\alpha 4.20; ducks, old and young 6c.

old and young, 6c.
WOOL-Tub-washed and picked, 33@35e; unwashed, medium and common grades. if in good order, 22c; unwashed fine, 17@28c; fleece washed, if light, well washed and in good order, 28@30c; burry and unmerchantable, according to their value. SEEDS.

Clover—Red. choice, 60 fb bu, \$4.50@4.75; English, choice. \$4.60@5.00; common, \$4.40@4.75; White, choice, \$6.75@7.50; Alsike, \$6.75@7.50; Alfalfa, choice, \$5.00@7.50. Timothy—Choice, 45 fb bu, \$1.75@2.25. Blue grass—English, 10c fb; fancy, 14 fb bu, \$0c@\$1.00. Orchard grass—Extra clean, 14 fb bu, \$1.25@1.50. Red top—choice, 14 fb bu, \$0c@\$1.00. English blue grass. 24 m bu, \$1.25@1.50. Acme lawn grass, 14 ms, \$1.75@2.25. Seed rye, 65c & bu. Fiaxseed, select ed, \$1.30@1.50 per bu. Hemp, 314c. Canary, 5c Rape, 7c & m. New popeorn, 1@2c & m.

Real Estate Transfers. Instruments filed for record in the recorder's office of Marion county, Indiana, for the twenty-four hours ending at 5 P. M., Dec. 13, 1888, as furnished by

Elliott & Butler, abstracters of titles, Room 23, Ætna Isaac N. VanVorhis to Sarah F. Carriger, lots 25 and 26, and part of 27, in block 3, of S. A. Fletcher, jr.'s, northeast ad-Calvin T. Roberts to James T. Moor, lot 97, in McCarty's first West Side addi-2,500.00 Jennie Tibbals to Edward P. Allen, lots 181, 182, 183, 184 and 185, in South

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Wm. P. Noble et al. to John Henry Bock,
lot 236, in Noble's subdivision of outlots 45, 50, 55, 56 and 61.

Vinson Carter, commissioner, to Chas. H. Bock, lot 236, in Noble's subdivision of 550,00

Harry J. Milligan, trustee, to Johanne C. Kunth, lot 28, in square 13. of S. A. Fletcher, jr.'s, northeast addition.

Harry J. Milligan, trustee, to Charles Pasch, lot 27, in square 13. in S. A. Fletcher, jr.'s, northeast addition. John W. Wright to Benjamin F. David,

their interest in part of the south half of the west quarter of the northeast quarter, and part of the southeast quarter of the northwest quarter, section 34, township 15 north, of range 2 east, Sarah E. Meznerr to Benjamin F. David their interest in same tract as above ....

100.00 Conveyances 11; consideration,.....\$11,466.00 Corn Culture in a Dry Season. A. C. Gladden, in Country Gentleman.

At the close of each growing season, there are some lessons of the year that should be gathered up and rehearsed, in order to fix them permanently in mind, and also to add to the stock of general information, which all should be glad to increase to its utmost extent. If the changes for each month for the entire season come in routine order-recurring at stated times, in exact periods of duration-the science of agriculture would long since have reached beyond the domain of conjecture and entered the list of exact sciences. The effectual processes that bring success in this year's operations would be the pattern for next season's practice in every line of farming. But in proportion as the changes of the seasons differ, so the application of different practices becomes necessary. While we are striving to determine what system of tactics to employ in a wet or cold season, we forget what manipulation of the soil becomes necessary for a dry one. In discussing this phase of farming with a few gathered farmers, at a neighbor's fireside lately, the special subject of growing corn in a dry season came up, and it was generally conceded that our knowledge of cause and effect in the growth of this crop was very limited. The heroic treatment of continued cultivation has proved fatal in every instance, and especially where anything more than surface cultivation was attempted. Many fields, under a system that would be considered slack, when gauged by the usual effective methods, have produced all that could have been expected in average years, while constant and thorough cultivation damaged and dwindled the crop down to a meagre half.

There is a limit beyond which cultivation ceases to do good, and is frequently, especially

in a dry season, a serious damage. When the soil is free from weeds, and is well pulverized, no further manipulation can increase its power of appropriating its essential food and moisture. Every attempt to increase this power disturbs the operations of the root system and checks the growth of the plant Apple trees are frequently pruned so severely that they die of their wounds. Every nurseryman knows that it takes from seven to ten days for young trees to recover, and begin to grow after each pruning of the top. In a wet season, when the earth has a full supply of moisture, corn grows in spite of vigorous cultivation. And indeed here now commonly accepted is to stir the surface of the ground after each heavy rain that is liable to crust the top soil; but while the earth is becoming drier and drier, keep out of the corn and sit in the shade rather than work it

We know so little of what is going on beneath the first two inches of earth, that it is not surprising that we allow custom instead of know-ledge to guide our acts. The effectiveness of improved machinery makes it comparatively easy to stire the seil to any reasonable depth. With this power to do comes the desire and

fashion, with no consideration for the evil that may be done to the growing crop. Harrowing wheat in the spring with the view of improving the growth, is a twin fallacy that ought to go to that crowded limbo of rejected theories, where such nonsense naturally belongs.

Feening Colts. Professor Sanborn, of the Missouri Agricultural College, gives in the following paragraphs some good suggestions on feeding of colts: I may be assumed, in the absence of analyses of the entire horse, that it contains less fat than any other farm animal, and its growth is therefore relatively larger than that of any other domestic animal. Experience teaches us that fattening foods are misplaced when fed to a growing colt. All young animals that I have fed have shown experimentally the marked necessity of easily digestible foods. Let the colt, when first fed hay, have choice clover and

the best fine hay, ground oats or ground peas,

or barley meal, to which add a mere mite of oil-

meal and carrots. Skim milk may well be added: it will give a very nitrogenous diet. The analyses of mare's milk shows a greater ratio of albuminoids (flesh formers) to carbohydrates (fat formers) than cow's milk, which is conclusive as to colts' diet when young. Don't "pinch" your colts. Feed liberally. The colt may be pushed forward as rapidly as the steer. This growth, if not that of fat, as it need not be. need not give a spiritless or effeminate colt; yet I would not press the point of early maturity as I would that of the steer, for the body may outstrip the acquisition of matured powers. If for sale, and moral issues left out, the most money will come from quick growth and early sale. It may properly be noted that the test by Bous-singault and Stewart show that a pound of colt is made with as little fodder as a pound of steer. The second winter straw may be fed with clover and hay. The skim milk may be omitted, while a little meal may be added. I object to corn as a diet for growing colts. A French investigator, by an elaborate test, found that cats were especially good horse food. By an electrical apparatus he found an excitable principle in cats that he called a nervine, and that crushed oats were more active and not so enduring as whole oats. Oats are, by practical men, understood to favor more speed and endur-

ance in the horse than any other food. About 1 per cent. of the colt's live weight should be given in grain daily, and limit his feed of hay to three meals a day, otherwise a horse will eat more than he can digest.

When the long red peppers are plentiful it is advisable to make one's own cayenne. While it may be a little troublesome the satisfaction of being assured of pure red pepper cannot be overlooked. Few people know the value of pure red pepper, and although red peppers are raised in several varieties, it is seldom seen on a farmer's table. To make cayenne remove the stems from fifty long fox-tail peppers, dry them slowly in a moderate oven, then pound in a mortar and rab through a fine sieve. Mix with the powder a heaping tablespoonful of salt, then put into airtight bottles.

Sprains are among the most severe accidents to which we are liable. When a joint is sprained swelling comes on gradually. In dislocation, swelling and loss of motion of the joint happen immediately after the accident. A sprained limb should be kept perfectly quiet. To prevent inflammation, use poultices of wormwood, hops or tansy.

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